

**§ 721. Enforcement responsibilities**

*Acts 1999, No. 568, §3, eff. June 30, 1999.*

A. The office shall monitor the conduct or business of licensees, both on a routine scheduled and an unscheduled basis, to the extent necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of charitable gaming laws and regulations of the state, particularly this Chapter.

B. In carrying out its enforcement responsibilities, the office may:

(1) Inspect and examine all premises in which charitable games of chance are conducted or supplies or equipment for such games are manufactured or distributed.

(2) Inspect all such supplies and equipment in, upon, or about such premises.

(3) Seize and remove from such premises and impound such supplies and equipment for the purpose of examination and inspection pursuant to an appropriate court order.

(4) Demand access to and audit and inspect books and records of licensees for the purpose of determining compliance with laws and regulations relative to charitable gaming.

(5) Conduct in-depth audits and investigations when warranted.

C. The office may require licensees to maintain records and submit reports as further provided in R.S. 4:716(C) and 726(D).

D. (1) In addition to license revocation or suspension or any criminal penalty imposed pursuant to R.S. 4:735(B), the office may assess a fine against any person who violates any law or regulation relative to gambling or charitable gaming. Such a fine shall be assessed only after notice and opportunity for a hearing held in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

(2) Any indication of the commission of a crime established in Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 shall be directed to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of state police, for investigation and disposition by such office.

E. All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, officers, and institutions of the state and all subdivisions thereof, in particular local law enforcement entities, shall cooperate with the office in carrying out its enforcement responsibilities.